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FOR HIS FATHER'S GRAVE

THE activities of the various schoolrooms had ceased and there was a vibrant undernote of joyousness in the air. The atmosphere was attuned to a gladsome refrain. The literary society of the high school was in session, the audience was enjoying the choice bits on the program. The youngsters of the lower grades had burst from the building and were running laughingly homeward. The empty rooms drew the attention of a visitor. The efforts of the manual training class were in evidence in one of the upper class rooms. These numbered the finished products of the pupils' skill and were placed there for the exhibit to the public before the closing of the school term. Downstairs the manual training room was apparently empty. Numerous pieces of work yet to be completed, shavings, boards, paint pots, etc., all added to the general picture of lessons over for the day. A slight movement caused a glance to stray to a far corner. Bent over his work, eye and hand intent on his task, was a young boy, utterly oblivious of another occupant in the room. For the nonce he was alone and the observer could see on his face a look that was a commingling of anxiety and sadness. He examined the wood. Yes, it was soft and difficult to plane into the perfect specimen he would like. His hand ran again over it, as if smoothing out tenderly the little rough places and inequalities. With difficulty he raised it into position. Its proportions were all right. True, it should have a better surface, yet, he had to be satisfied. It must be placed with the other exhibits of his class. He could not go over it again. It had to be painted yet, as a final touch. Several coats it would need, to make it the pure glistening white it required, as wind and weather, the destroying elements of the desert, would mar it only too soon. Then the lettering on it would be the final touch on the work of love he had essayed to do, in memory of the one who had gone

Outside the boys and girls from the entertainment he could see were drifting home and he alone worked on. They were happy, real gay, it seemed to him. He searcely heard the questioner at his side. 'what are you doing?" Barely lifting his eyes, he answered softly, "I am making this to place over the grave of my father," and the brush of the widow's son kept moving slowly and lovingly until the plain white cross was ready for the inscription, "Sacred to the Memory of,"

"ALL FOR OUR PARTY"

WHEN the great seal of Nevada was adopted the design was born of the unwavering loyalty of the patriotic sons who saved the nation from bankruptey and the emblem was largely suggested by the wealth of the material offering laid on the altar of country. These men sought to impress the scenic splendors of the Great Basin and its potential wealth in a tabloid of mountains, a towering viaduct spanning a deep chasm, with a smelter in the foreground imposed on a scroll bearing the legend. "All for Our Country." No fault was ever found with either the sentiment or the execution of the homely, but it until recently when political exigencies debased the inscription into an epitaph.

The original thought has grown satirical, since, according to the latter day sentiment, the motto should be revised to read, "All for Our Party." The men in power have no scruples about descrating the inspired work of the fathers of Nevada whose nobility of character was a heaven born endowment. The modernists have not the courage to do as directed by their progenitors for they are more at home in the practice of moulding the laws to suit their own ends. Nothing is too low for them to stoop to. All that is lacking is the boldness to complete the sacrilege of expunging the face of the seal and substituting one more in accord with their own views. Therefore to make the transition more agreeable the Bonanza suggests the motto, "All for Our Party" with a muzzle rampant over an editor conchant and a jackass militant.

Nevada has become obsessed with the idea of muzzling everything that walks the earth from the pet poodle that could not scratch a flex off its back to the high browed, constructive, statesman editors who never dream of aspiring to office so long as they can accommodate some blatant skate with a nomination. Rabies has seized the law for a certain class of attorneys foam at the mouth when a newspaper is mentioned. If the Rabies Commission did its duty in a fearless manner it would not be satisfied with attaching bird cages to harmless city dogs, but would order a special brand to gag into everlasting silence the noisy creatures who make their living yelping up and down Wittenberg Warehouse the country side without the impulse of the hydrophobic beast to dash its skull against the nearest rock. The prone editor in the effigy suggested typifies the hushed voice of public protest stilled by the terrifying threat of incarecration for daring to expose the sandbagging of those who treat the taxpayer as a cuthroat and live in fond dalliance with thugs and offenders who are permitted to escape their just deserts.

The rancons burro with crest erect and teeth agleam under a bar sinister pictures the party in power the party that is intent on retaining its ascendancy through coercion and strangulation. A few transverse stripes would add to the effectiveness of the allegory by reminding the observer of the hilarious existence of the tourists registered at the state penitentiary who have been dolled to death until each day of exile is as dreamy as a houri's eyes and whose stay is actuated more by consent rather than compulsion.

Don't wait, boy! Go to it! Tear down the grand old seal of Nevada. Reconstruct the motto, remold the figures but, be quick about it for the day of reckoning is fast approaching. Doomsday is nigh and next November, when the electors are heard from the cry of "All for Our Country" will drown in glorious dispason the blasphemy of "All for Our Party."

Yea, hasten the day. Jail a few more editors, but be quick for your time is short and all the muzzles in creation will not still the voice of a conscientions press.

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